

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A method for dyeing a cellulosic material, such as cotton or a blend including
cotton, in the form of yarn, fabric, or garments, includes: a) preparing a dyebath
including particles of indigo and an additive, such as an anionic acrylic
copolymer, causing the particles to become charged; b) preparing the cellulosic
material by applying an additive, such as a cationic polyamide, forming a
substrate with a charge attracting the particles, c) immersing the cellulosic
material in the dyebath; d) chemically reducing the particles retained on the
10 cellulosic material to a leuco form; and e) oxidizing the dye material.